

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Shaolin

Other known title(s): The New Shaolin Temple

OFLC ref: 1100512.000

Medium: DVD

Distributor: Roadshow Entertainment (NZ) Ltd

Director: Benny Chan

Producer: Benny Chan
Albert Lee

Country of origin: Hong Kong

Language: Cantonese

Applicant: Film & Video Labelling Body

Classification:	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 16 years.
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Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: Contains violence, offensive language and sex scenes.

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 25 May 2011

Date of direction to issue a label: 25 May 2011

	Components	Running time
Menu:	Trailers Making Of Shaolin Scene Selection Play Feature	
Feature(s):	Shaolin	125:49
Timed component(s):	Catfish	2:15

	Cougar Hunting	1:54
	Kaboom	1:35
	Barney's Version	2:14
	Making Of Shaolin	23:50
	Notices	0:51
Total running time:		158:28

Summary of reasons for decision:

The DVD contains a feature originally examined as a 35mm film by the Classification Office (OFLC No. 1100030.000, registered 20 January 2011). This film was classified "Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 16 years", with the descriptive note "Contains violence".

The additional components on the DVD comprise a "making of" component that explains how the film was choreographed and created, four trailers, and some notices. The violence in the "making of" component is similar in nature to the feature. The trailers deal with matters of sex. One in particular (Kaboom) has strong sexual content and highly offensive language. While this content is out of character with the feature, its brevity within the publication as a whole limits its impact. The original R16 classification is considered just sufficient to limit the risk of injury to the public good from this material. The DVD does not, therefore, need a higher classification. The descriptive note has been expanded to cover the sexual content and offensive language.